

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office
in Jefferson City on the 2nd
day of November, 2016.

In the Matter of the Application of a Rate)
Increase for Raccoon Creek Utility Operating)
Company Inc.)

File No. SR-2016-0202

ORDER APPROVING STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT

Issue Date: November 2, 2016

Effective Date: November 12, 2016

On October 17, 2016, Raccoon Creek Utility Operating Company, Inc. (Raccoon Creek), the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff), and the Office of the Public Counsel filed a unanimous *Stipulation and Agreement* in this request for a small company rate increase. The stipulation and agreement constitutes a settlement of all issues relevant to the proposed rate increase submitted by Raccoon Creek.

Specifically, the parties set out the revenue requirement, how rates will be established, return on equity, and customer deposit parameters. The parties also agreed to adopt the *Partial Disposition Agreement* submitted by Raccoon Creek and Staff on August 30, 2016. Additionally, the parties agreed that a rate review would be undertaken within 12-18 months of the new rates becoming effective in order to review actual data. Further, the parties agreed to review usage data in the six months following the establishment of these rates in The Villages Subdivision to determine if the usage should be differentiated as an “apartment” class of customers. The parties also agreed to cooperate to have the new rates become effective by January 1, 2017.

Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.115(1)(B) provides that the Commission “may resolve all or any part of a contested case on the basis of a stipulation and agreement.” After reviewing the stipulation and agreement, the Commission independently finds and concludes that the stipulation and agreement is a reasonable resolution of the issues and it should be approved.

In order to allow time for final tariff revisions reflecting the agreement to be filed and approved prior to the rates becoming effective on or before January 1, 2017, the Commission will make this order effective in ten days.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The unanimous *Stipulation and Agreement* filed on October 17, 2016, which incorporates the *Partial Disposition Agreement* filed on August 30, 2016 between the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) and Raccoon Creek Utility Operating Company, Inc., is approved as a resolution of the issues in this case.
2. Raccoon Creek Utility Operating Company, Inc., the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff), and the Office of the Public Counsel shall comply with the terms of the *Stipulation and Agreement*.
3. This order shall be effective on November 12, 2016.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Hall, Chm., Stoll, Kenney,
Rupp, and Coleman, CC., concur.

Dippell, Regulatory Law Judge